President: If the member will please refer to the he will find the whole ground covered there. The main principles are laid down there.

Mr P. Padmanabhan Tampi: The basis on which recruitment is to be made in future has not been stated in the G. O.

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: May I explain the whole question, Sir ?

President: Not the whole of it.

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Services have been divided into three classes, the higher, the intermediate and the lower. In the higher division efficiency is the primary consideration. Government propose to institute a Civil Service Examination. Although efficiency is the main consideration, a proportion of the appointments will be given, by promotion, to the officers of the intermediate division. A very small proportion may also be reserved for such of the communities as may not be able to get into the civil service by competition or promotion.

In the intermediate division, recruitment to 60 per cent. of the appointments will be made on the basis of efficiency ; and for the remaining 40 per cent. the principles to be followed is efficiency combined with preference on communal basis. The communities to whom such preference is to be given are specified in the G. O.

In regard to the lower division, recruitment is to be made mainly on communal basis

Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi: Sir, my question is not answered.

President: After all this exhaustive statement? (*Laughter*).

Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi: My point is whether, in future, among the unrepresented classes, literacy will be the criterion for communal representation in service, or the social status of the community ?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Neither literacy nor social status will be the criterion.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai (*Commerce and Industry, South*): In regard to the question of literacy, is it English literacy or Vernacular literacy ?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: It is general literacy, which means vernacular literacy.

Kammalas.

119. ***Mr. P. Padmanabhan Tampi**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Kammalas are caste Hindus or not ; and

(*b*) the percentage of literates among them ?

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Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) Kammalas are not caste Hindus.

(*b*) The member is referred to page 130 of the Travancore Census Report 1931, Part II.

Mr. Komilezhathu Sankaran: What are the communities that are classed as caste Hindus?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: I cannot give an exhaustive list now; but I can give a few, for example the Brahmin, the Nayar, the Ambalavasi and the Kshatriya are caste Hindus.

Mr. Komilezhathu Sankaran: May I know whether the Government accept the existence of those two sections, caste Hindus and non-caste Hindus, among the Hindu population of the State?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: There was a previous question on this matter, and the member was then referred to the Census Report.

Mr. Komilezhathu Sankaran: What is the basis on which this classification, as caste Hindu and non-caste Hindu, is made?

Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: It is explained in the Census Report, Sir.

Parur-Kuriapalli road.

120. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the length of the Parur-Kuriapalli road;

(*b*) whether the raising of the level of that road has been sanctioned, and, if so, when it was sanctioned and what action has been taken by the Government in the matter; and

(*c*) whether they are aware that the present condition of the road is unsafe and unfit for travel?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: (*a*) 3 miles and 1700 feet long.

(*b*) An estimate for raising the whole length of the road is under the consideration of Government. But an estimate was sanctioned in February 1935 for raising the first 2½ miles of the road and the work is in progress

(*c*) Pedestrians are using the road, though it is unfit for cart traffic.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: With reference to the answer to part (*b*), may I know what will be the total amount necessary for raising the level of the road?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: Rs. 31,410.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know the number of culverts on that road?

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